

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Case No. 13323US07)**

*In the Application of:*

V. Rakshani et al.

*U.S. Serial No.:* 10/124,770

*Filed:* April 17, 2002

*For:* SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
DETECTING A DEVICE REQUIRING  
POWER

*Examiner:* P.L. Kim

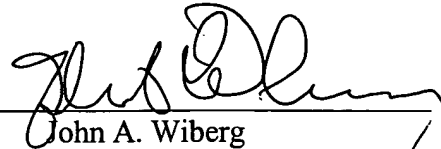
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**EXPRESS MAIL**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment in connection with the above newly filed continuation application. Please amend the application as shown on the following page.